



# Iowa Department of Human Services

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Date of report	4/9/14
Provider name	Heather Weigandt
Date of complaint	3/17/14
Home type	Category A
	<b>NON-COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS FOUND:</b> None.
	<b>NATURE OF COMPLAINT:</b> Unidentified bruising.
Date 3/17/14	Summary of complaint
	Complaint: It is alleged a child reportedly has unexplained bruises on child's back and child's chin as well as petechial (a tiny purplish red spot on the skin caused by the release into the skin of a very small quantity of blood from a capillary) on both of child's shoulders. It is thought these injuries may have occurred while the child was in the child development home..
	Relevant rules reviewed are as follows:
	441 IAC 110.5(1) Health and Safety
	441 IAC 110.5(9)"a" Give careful supervision at all times 441 IAC 110.5(6) Discipline. Discipline shall conform to the following standards: <i>a.</i> Corporal punishment including spanking, shaking and slapping shall not be used. <i>b.</i> Punishment which is humiliating or frightening or which causes pain or discomfort to the child shall not be used.
	<p>On March 18, 2014, I did a home visit. Heather reported that on March 13, 2014 (Thursday), the child came to the child care as usual. When child arrived about 3:00 pm, the child development home left for a planned activity to Chucky Cheese. Heather reported that the child was whiny which was unusual for child. The child is introverted and shy, but usually happy. The child tends to keep child's chin down and shoulders up.</p> <p>When they arrived back to the child development home from the planned activity, Heather started to get the children ready for bed. Heather reported that is when she saw child's back. She photographed what she thought were rashes. Heather explained that the child has had multiple medical issues and is on a lot of medications. The child is allergic to many things including color band aids. Heather is accustomed to photographing any mark, rash or bruise on the child so if it appears not to be healing, the child's mother can take pictures to the doctor. It provides the doctor with a time line. Heather has a release from the mother to take and show pictures of the child. Heather was concerned and showed the pictures to an RN. Heather stated that the RN thought it was a rash. At that point, Heather re-contacted the child's mother and asked her to pick up the child.</p> <p>The mother reported that she took the child to the doctor the next day. The doctor stated the marks were bruises.</p> <p>Heather emailed me copies of the pictures.</p>

	In viewing the pictures and the child as well as interviewing the child, parent and provider, DHS could not determine how, when or where the injuries occurred. The child was unable to explain the injuries. The injuries did not appear consistent with a caretaker or any person causing the injuries.
	<b>FINDINGS:</b> Heather appears to have acted in prudent matter by notifying the parent and insisting on a doctor's appointment. Heather appears to have follow protocols set up by the parent, regular doctor, and DHS. She does not appear out of compliance with 441 IAC 110.5(1), 441 IAC 110.5(9)"a" and 441 IAC 110.5(6).
	<b>RESOLUTIONS:</b> Non-compliance was not found. I let Heather know that Child Care Resource and Referral has a nurse available through the Health Child Care Iowa program to answer child care provider's medical questions.

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